

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT SPEAKS AT BOISE

INFORMAL RECEPTION HELD AT CLUB AND VIEWS GIVEN IN SHORT TALK

Boise.—William Howard Taft, twenty-seventh president of the United States, was a Boise visitor Saturday. While here the ex-president interviewed prominent citizens of Boise on political questions and talked over informally some of the issues facing the country in regard to domestic and foreign matters. Saturday afternoon an informal reception was held at the Commercial club and Mr. Taft addressed a large gathering.

The subject of his talk was the crisis reached by the country in its foreign relations. In speaking of the Mexican situation, he declared that the government had made three mistakes. The first in not recognizing Huerta, the second in not prohibiting shipment of arms into the country, and the third was the seizure of Vera Cruz. "If we are obliged to intervene in Mexico, as now seems probable," he said, "we must be prepared for a long hard campaign. It will hit at our homes, it will kill or cripple our sons and it will increase our taxes. We were seventy-five millions short on the last fiscal year. Intervention in Mexico will mean the expenditure of many millions more and that means additional taxation. It would be a costly undertaking, both in lives and money. It is for those to whom we have entrusted the government, to decide what shall be done. Whatever they decide is for the best, we must abide by and back up the administration. It would take a long time to drill and equip a force sufficient to cope with the Mexican situation. Preparedness is the safeguard of peace, and a nation united and prepared is not likely to be attacked."

Mr. Taft also discussed other matters. He declared his belief that the direct primary had not worked well, especially for the minor offices, and expressed himself as in favor of a change to a modified form of the primary system. Party government, he said, was dependent upon the convention system.

"Father Brady Has New Car."

Juntura.—Father Brady is the proud owner of a new Ford car purchased recently from the agency in Vale. M. W. Thayer, the agent at Vale, drove the car out for Father Brady.

Popular Couple Wed.

Juntura.—The marriage of Miss Poe of Riverside, and Mr. Ralph Levee of this place was solemnized at Vale Monday, August 16th. The bride is the popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Poe who recently have moved to Riverside from Seattle to make their home, and the young man is well known, being the driver on the Juntura farm stage.

NEW PLYMOUTH LOCALS

The Gess place has been leased to Mr. Gentry and Robert Walker, for five years. The Walkers intend to go into extensive cattle raising. Mr. Erlich, who has lived on the place for the past two years, has not stated his future plans.

Miss Irma Lingle has gone to Walla Walla where she has accepted a position in a store. The Pacific Building & Loan Association was organized on Wednesday, August 11th, with C. S. French, as president, J. F. LaCrosse as vice-president and W. P. Ackerman as secretary and treasurer.

O-W. BRAKEMAN KILLED AT DURKEE

Baker.—Lee Graham an O. W. Brakeman, whose home was in La Grande, was instantly killed Saturday near Durkee. Graham leaned from the ladder of a box-car to inspect the brake rigging and was hit on the head by a bridge railing. He had been in the employ of the railroad several years.

MANY CAMPERS AT PRAIRIE CITY

Prairie City.—More camps are established here this year than for many previous years, in spite of the abundance of thunder showers. Dances every night are the leading features and are well attended by the

The new auto truck purchased by the Prairie-Burns Stage Co., is now making its daily trips to Canyon City and is certainly a great improvement over the four-horse stage line formerly used.

POOR HAY CAUSES RANCHERS DEATH

Pocatello.—James McNally shot and instantly killed J. W. Irwin as the result of a dispute over a load of hay. When Irwin went to deliver a load of hay which had been contracted, McNally claimed that the hay was of inferior quality and a quarrel ensued. Both parties are well known here.

J. R. Blackaby Store Remodeled.

Jordan Valley.—The J. R. Blackaby Commercial Co., has remodeled its store to quite an extent. The improvement in the grocery department will enable the clerical force to display their wares more conveniently, as well as giving them more room to wait on customers.

EX-PRESIDENT WM. H. TAFT

Who Visited Boise and Eastern Oregon Points Saturday of Last Week



Live News From Surrounding Towns And Country. Happenings of a Week

FRUITLAND LOCALS

Fred Eldridge, son of A. B. Eldridge, who was badly bruised last week in Ontario by being run over by an automobile, driven by Mr. Wilson of Nyssa, has entirely recovered. Fred was on a bicycle. Mr. Wilson brought the injured lad to his home on the bench.

Pete Johnson who has been shipping fresh fruit and vegetables to Riverside, made a trip last week with a car-load. He reports a good market for his products and expects to ship another car this week.

Miss Florence Anderson was hostess at a dainty luncheon last week. Her guests were, Olive Hunter, Irma Deal and Alice Wheelodon.

Mrs. W. A. Cloud has as her guest her sister, Mrs. H. S. Blair of Armstead, Mont.

Mrs. Mosser and her daughter, Mrs. Harry Powell, have returned from a visit with relatives in Portland and La Grande.

Miss Ruth Bracewell is in Boise on a short visit. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fiser of Ontario, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Brown on Sunday last week.

A. B. Eldridge has as his guest, his brother, H. C. Eldridge of Kansas City.

Miss Helen Linck has returned from Boise where she has been a guest at the Guy Graham home.

George Darnell and family are enjoying an outing in Long Valley.

Mrs. L. R. Wells of Emmett, is visiting relatives here.

The young people of the Methodist church have organized a new Sunday School class. N. P. Yockey was chosen as teacher for the class. Mrs. Ira Dalzell was chosen president and O. C. Stout, vice-president, Ira Dalzell, treasurer and Stanley Dean, secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Boomer attended the Drought-Daniels nuptials in Payette, Wednesday last week.

J. H. Spahnower, Virgil and Velma and their house guests, L. F. Spahnower of San Diego, Mrs. Williams of Iowa, and Mother Spahnower, made a trip to Boise last week by auto. They also visited the Arrow Rock dam.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. King are spending a few weeks at the Rockaway Beach, in Oregon, in hopes of the change benefiting Mr. King's health.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hill were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Secoy, over beyond Ontario, one day last week, to meet some old friends who are visiting there from Central City, Neb.

BAKER TO HAVE NEW GAME BIRD

Sportsman Will Try Experiment of Crossing China Pheasants With Barnyard Fowl

Baker, Ore.—Frank B. Mitchell and Frank Bowen are making plans to raise a new game bird next season. They have secured a pair of China Pheasants and are planning to cross the imported birds with the domestic chicken.

The offspring of the two species, it is said, is easily susceptible to domestication, but if turned loose will rapidly become wild. It is more compactly built than the pheasant and has no long tail.

WILL BUILD FINE HOME NEAR NAMPA

Sioux City Capitalist to Move To Home Near Lincoln Highway.

Nampa, Idaho.—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hoy of Sioux City, Iowa, are here again on their annual visit to their orchard tracts. Mr. Hoy is secretary-treasurer of both the Wilson and the Nampa Apple Orchard Companies, which have large holdings of the frost proof fields of Eagle Heights and near Kuna.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoy are so taken with the country here, and especially with the Idaho climate, that they are making plans to build a beautiful new permanent residence on the beautiful orchard tract at the side of the Lincoln Highway, on Eagle Heights.

NYSSA LOCALS

Wilson Bros., shipped four cars of wheat to Baker, last week.

Miss Goldie Vaughn has returned from her vacation, spent at Portland.

Mrs. R. E. Servoson has returned from a visit with friends at Caldwell.

Frank and Jack Lynch have returned from Montana. They found plenty of employment there shearing sheep.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hinch are spending a six weeks vacation at the "Frisco" fair.

Mike O'Brien, a well known Owyhee rancher, fell and sustained a severe injury to his right leg. He was brought to Nyssa, and will remain at the home of Henry McNeer for a while.

The Presbyterian Sunday School picnic held at Arcadia grove on Wednesday last week, was well attended, and all report a good time.

Peter McIntosh of Minneapolis, has been secured as cheese maker at the Nyssa factory and will begin his work Sept. 1st.

Rev. Baker of the Ontario Baptist church, is holding revival meetings here. A tent has been erected on Main street, for the meetings.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church held their annual "weenie fry" Wednesday evening of last week, at the Cheeley ranch on Snake river.

DEAD OX FLAT LOCALS

J. W. Klinefelter who lost his threshing machine recently by fire, has ordered a new Case machine and expects it to arrive any day.

August Senkbell had the misfortune to break the fender of his new separator, and had to stop work while repairs came from Portland. All the harvesting on the flat is done now but the threshing.

A. T. McDonald spent last week helping Chas. Herr with his harvest. August Senkbell and family have moved to Payette.

DEPUTY SHERIFF MARRIED LAST WEEK

Caldwell.—Miss Alma Barclay and Deputy Sheriff McCollough were married in Salt Lake, Wednesday, Aug. 11th. The ceremony was solemnized in the Temple, after which the happy pair returned to Caldwell, where they will make their future home.

FEW FIRES OCCUR IN JOHN DAY COUNTRY

John Day, Ore.—Only four fires have occurred on this forest this season, and none of these burned over 100 acres. The aggregate loss from the four fires will not exceed \$200. This is partially due to the cool frosty nights.

A. C. McDONALD DIES AT BOISE

Fruitland.—A. C. McDonald, recent agent at the Fruitland depot, died at the Alphonso hospital in Boise on Monday of last week, after an illness of six weeks. He was stricken with paralysis while working on his ranch near Homedale, about two months ago, and never fully regained his strength. He was a member of the Masonic lodge.

IRONSIDE RANCHERS BUSY WITH CATTLE

Ironside.—A large number of fine looking beef cattle have been brought in by the ranchers around here, the past two weeks, and will be shipped to the markets in the east. Lofton Bros., Rutherford Bros., E. Loece, James Moritt, J. P. Smith and E. Malthau will be among the heaviest shippers of this district, and it is estimated that each will send enough for several car-loads.

The cattle are in the best of shape as the range has lasted well this summer, due to the late rains.

PAYETTE LOCALS

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Woodward are the proud parents of a baby boy born August 14th.

Mrs. Wm. Holt, Vern Holt, Mr. and Mrs. Heslop and Vern Heslop, are enjoying an outing at Payette Lakes.

Miss Fayne Duncan of Caldwell is the guest of friends in this city.

I. H. Book, a prominent farmer of the Dead Ox Flat country, is improving from a stroke of paralysis.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lattig, Geo. Lattig, M. E. Wood, Bayard Lattig and Mrs. M. F. Albert, are enjoying a vacation on the Little Salmon.

Mrs. Maule, Miss Millie Maule and Dwight Maule are spending their vacation in Portland. They attended the Al G. Barnes circus and found Reuel Maule making good in the band.

Miss Velma Spaulding has returned from a visit with friends in Boise.

W. A. Couchanour made a trip to Boise last week, on business.

Miss Genevieve Looney was the guest of Payette friends last week. Miss Looney's home is in Boise.

Mrs. Forsen, of Home, Idaho, is the proud mother of a nine pound boy. Mrs. Forsen is visiting Mrs. Hubert.

A. H. Murdock, a prominent lawyer of South Omaha, Neb., spent several days in the valley last week, looking over his tract of land at New Plymouth. Mr. Murdock is a visitor here every year.

EVERYTHING READY FOR BABY SHOW

Health Exhibits and Lectures at Rex Theatre to be a Feature.

Vale.—All plans were completed for the Better Babies Contest which opened here yesterday, August 25. The examinations are being held in the court room of the court house, and it is found to be cool and well ventilated. The large store room on Main street opposite the Bungalow theatre, was secured by the ladies in charge of the work in which to hold the health exhibit and daily lectures. A unique feature of the week will be the baby parade. In connection with the health exhibits, Dr. Sears is giving demonstration talks from 10 to 12 and from 2 to 4, daily.

Yesterday at 4:30 Dr. H. H. Whitney of Ontario talked on "Hygiene of Infancy" and this afternoon Dr. Weese of Ontario is speaking on "Hereditary and Eugenics."

HUNT FOR ESCAPES; CATCH MILK THIEF

Vale.—While city marshal Chas. Powell, and Frank Glenn, were trailing one of the escaped prisoners through the upper Malheur valley last week, they found that someone had visited the milk-house of the Lanebarger ranch the previous night, and had stolen a jar of milk, and two jars of fruit. The next morning they quickly followed the fresh tracks and soon arrested the man with the goods, but he was not one of the escaped prisoners.

The man, whose name was Clement, claimed he was from Montana, and, as nothing more than petty stealing could be found against him, he was released from the jail the next day with the promise that he would leave the country.

MORE PHEASANTS FOR GRANT COUNTY

150 Chinese Birds on Way and More in Another Shipment to Follow Soon

John Day, Ore.—One hundred and fifty China Pheasants have been received here by Forest Supervisor Bingham, from the State Game Farm at Corvallis. These pheasants are for distribution throughout the John Day valley. Another shipment is promised to follow a little later, and then the valley will be fairly well stocked from Prairie City to Daville. The pheasants introduced into the valley last year are well.

BOULEVARD LOCALS

Rev. Baker, of Ontario, and his friend, Rev. Lauree, were entertained at dinner Thursday at J. A. Walters home.

Mrs. J. O. Moody returned to her home at Bridge, Idaho, Friday. She was accompanied by her daughter, Grace Marquis, who will make her home with her mother.

Chas. Smith entertained his S. S. class of boys Tuesday evening. Games were played, and a royal good time enjoyed. Ice cream, cake and melons were served.

Mrs. E. B. Conklin and daughters, Jean and Mildred, returned Monday from a several weeks visit at Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Jacobs visited at E. Berry's, Sunday.

Mrs. L. H. Patton and son Earl, motored over from Little Willow, Sunday and spent the day at C. U. Stovers.

Jennie Shamberger, of Fruitland, is spending the week at J. O. Scritchfields.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Ingle visited J. A. Walters Friday afternoon.

Bruce Bender is spending the week with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Story, of Parma, Mrs. Rebecca Carey of Burns and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Adams were entertained at an elaborate Sunday dinner at Wm. Ceells.

Mrs. Oliver Bingham and children visited at Leon Eldredges' Saturday.

Lester Patton of Little Willow, is visiting his cousins, the Stover boys.

Rev. Rittenhouse from Portland, of the Seventh Day Adventist church will preach at the Grange hall next Sunday at 3 o'clock. Everybody will be very welcome.

PAYETTE VALLEY AUTO CLUB HAS MEETING

Payette.—The Payette Valley Auto Club held a meeting last week and elected the following directors: Little Willow district, John Hill; Big Willow district, H. P. Pence; Payette district, M. E. Wood; Fruitland district, H. J. Puchert; New Plymouth district, Dr. Drysdale; Valley View district, E. P. French; district north of Payette to the county line, C. P. Lattig.

FRUITLAND LUMBER COMPANY IMPROVES

Fruitland.—The Cash Lumber & Coal Co., is making improvements in the lumber yard here. A shed 120 by 20 feet is being built east of the office and a shed 30 feet long back of the present office. A roof to connect the new shed and office is also being built, allowing room for a driveway.

VALE INSURANCE IS PAID SATISFACTORILY

Vale.—The adjuster for the insurance companies carrying policies on the buildings and stocks destroyed and damaged by the recent fire, finished his work and has returned to Spokane. All losses were satisfactorily settled. The adjuster praised the local fire department to a high degree, saying that he had never seen such quick and effective work done by a department in a town this size.

CHEESE FACTORY NOW MEMBER ASSOCIATION

Nyssa.—The Nyssa Cheese factory has joined the Association of the Idaho Dairy Products, which, it is expected, will include all the co-operative cheese making plants of the Snake River valley. The object of the association is to standardize the product of the factories of the valley, and turn out an article that will find a ready sale at top prices. The headquarters of the association are at Caldwell.

REGISTERED HERD GOES TO JOHN DAY

John Day.—C. R. Stricker, of Roseburg who has been here for the past two weeks looking over the country, has decided to locate here. He is going back in a few days to get his family, and will also bring some registered jersey cattle. He will drive the cattle through, a distance of about 300 miles, but he claims that it will pay him, as cattle bring a much better price here, than in the Willamette valley.

COUNTY CLERK HAS VERY BUSY WEEK

MANY DEEDS AND PATENTS ARE FILED—NEW DIVORCE CASE FILED

Vale.—The office of the County Clerk was a busy one last week. The following is a record of the new business transacted:

Deeds and Patents.
Fred J. Kiesel et ux -to- Roy Williams, E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 17-19-47. \$1.00

George A. Kyle et ux -to- Nelson F. Kimball, E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 29-15-47. \$500.00

Chas. B. Johnson et ux -to- W. A. Leith, Lot 18 of blk. 314, Ontario. \$60.00

Ima P. Johnson et vir -to- W. A. Leith, Lots 19 and 20 of blk. 314, Ontario. \$135.00

Chas. Gibbons -to- Geo. A. Masse, Lot 12 of blk. 315, Ontario. \$300.00

O. J. Pinkston et ux -to- Annie E. Mason, Lot 5 of blk. 6 of Terrace Heights Add., to Ontario. \$175.00

Anna and Alice Morrison -to- Wm. Morrison, Land in 8-18-47. \$230.00

Mae Westfall et vir -to- Malheur Live Stock & Land Co., Land in 10-16-38. \$1.00

Susie E. Chapman et vir -to- Wm. McBratney, Lots 11 to 15 of blk. 38, Ontario. \$3,500.00

Mary A. Thompson et vir -to- N. Smit and C. Van Zelf, Land in 18-19-47. \$2400.00

U. S. A. -to- C. W. Knowles, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of 35-19-41.

A. C. Hahn et ux -to- O. W. Barney Land in 33-33-40. \$1.00

Walter A. Malone et ux -to- O. P. McKinney, All of 31-33-39. \$1.00

B. S. Cook & Co., -to- F. M. George Land in 22-18-46. \$10.00

Complaints in Circuit Court.
Callie M. McCay -vs- Eugene E. McCay, Divorce.

S. M. Willis et al -vs- Douglas Smith et al, Injunction.

Marriage Licenses.
Ralph M. Levy and Irene V. Poe.

Wm. E. Brown and Louise Williams.

BEND TO HAVE A NEW SAWMILL

Bend.—Announcement has been made here of the intention of the Brooks-Seaton Lumber Company, of Minneapolis, to begin at once construction of a modern sawmill on the Deschutes river, opposite the plant of the Shevlin-Hixon Company's new building. When the two are in operation, a monthly payroll exceeding \$60,000.00 is assured.

It is understood that the new plant will be a two-band mill with planing mill and box factory in connection. The plant's capacity is 50,000,000 feet a year, and employment will be given in all departments to 500 men.

Bend is experiencing a remarkable impetus in building, and other lines of industry, due to the construction of the Shevlin-Hixon mill, which will cut 80,000,000 feet a year and employ 700 men.

SCHOOLS OPEN IN VALE SEPT. 7TH.

A Domestic Science Teacher is Added to the High School Corps

Vale.—The Vale school opens this year on September 7th., the preceding Monday being a holiday. Six new teachers have been hired this year, five to fill vacancies and one new teacher for the course of Domestic Science. Prof. Ruring, superintendent of the city schools took a special course during the summer, at a manual training school in Seattle, and will teach in that capacity in the high school this year, and Prof. Scheid will relieve him of some of his other classes.

D. L. INGRAD BACK FROM FRUIT MEET

Payette.—D. L. Ingrad and J. H. Lowell of Parma, returned the middle of last week from the trustee's meeting of the North Pacific Fruit Distributors, held in Spokane on the 16th., and 17th. They report that there will, no doubt, be a good sale for apples, but unless the Yakima prunes are off the market before the Idaho product is on, prunes may not be up to the standard in price. They say peaches have been very plentiful in all sections, this season and have been sold at ridiculously low prices.